

# **THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST**

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1. Cuba

a. The Soviets are making preparations for a new military site--its exact nature undetermined--in Oriente Province.

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d. The KHIMIK ZHELENSKY, which we suspect of being the second Soviet arms carrier dispatched to Cuba since October, will reach Cuban waters on 8 or 9 February if it maintains its present course and speed.

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2. Yemen

a. Sizable numbers of Egyptian troop reinforcements have reached Yemen within the past few days.

b. Egyptian combat strength is now close to 18,000.

c. Egyptian outposts east of Sana are hard-pressed by the royalists.

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3. Dominican Republic

a. President Bonnelly and other members of the outgoing government are highly alarmed by a draft constitution drawn up by the constituent assembly. They charge that the draft, mainly the work of Juan Bosch's PRD party, is a "Communist" document.

b. Touching off their excitement are the provisions asserting labor's right to participate in business profits, permitting government expropriation of private property without prior indemnification, and prohibiting corporate land ownership.

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c. The expectation is that Bosch, now in Europe in search of developmental capital, will himself want the constitution reworked so as not to discourage foreign investment.

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#### 4. Congo

a. The UN Congo command is sending teams into the field to begin the work of integrating the Katangan gendarmerie into the Congolese army.

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b. The Katangan soldiers are being told to make their choice by 5 February. The central government declares itself ready to enlist some 6-7,000 of them (about one-third of the total) after careful screening. Others will be honorably discharged once they have registered with the authorities. Those who fail to register face prosecution.

c. Tshombé   
 men will want firmer guarantees against reprisals before they will turn themselves in.

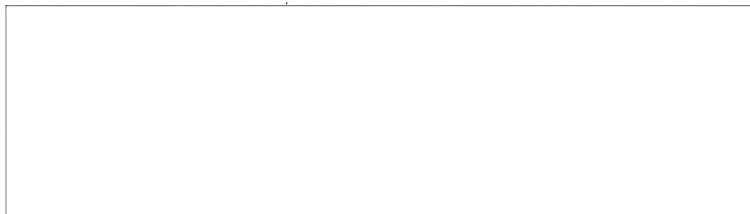
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d. Adoula plans to reconvene parliament in early March in the capacity of a constituent assembly to ratify a national constitution. If this can be accomplished, he foresees general elections as the next step.

5. Laos

a. Kong Le's distrust and fear of the Pathet Lao continue to deepen.

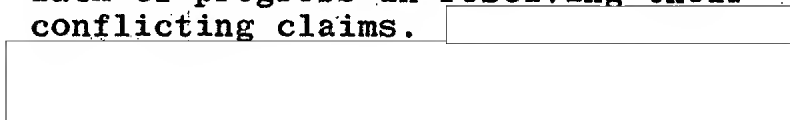


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6. Malaysia

a. The Malayan government yesterday announced that it is holding back an 800-troop contingent, which was scheduled to embark for the Congo, and has stepped up its coastal patrolling. An Indonesian gunboat is alleged to have invaded Malayan waters on Wednesday, setting fire to a Malayan coastal craft.

b. The British and Filipinos have ended their talks on North Borneo with a communique recording a total lack of progress in resolving their conflicting claims.

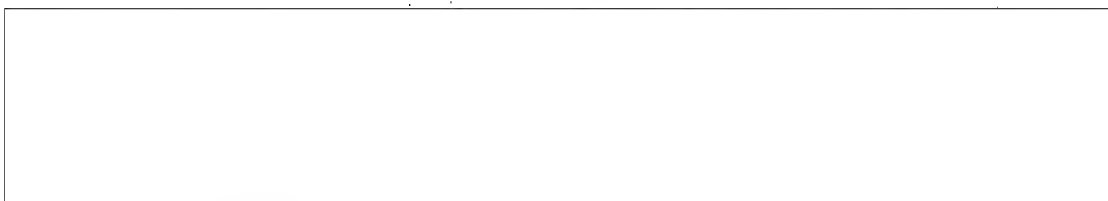


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c. Police in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur this morning began a massive security roundup of extreme leftists and Communists.

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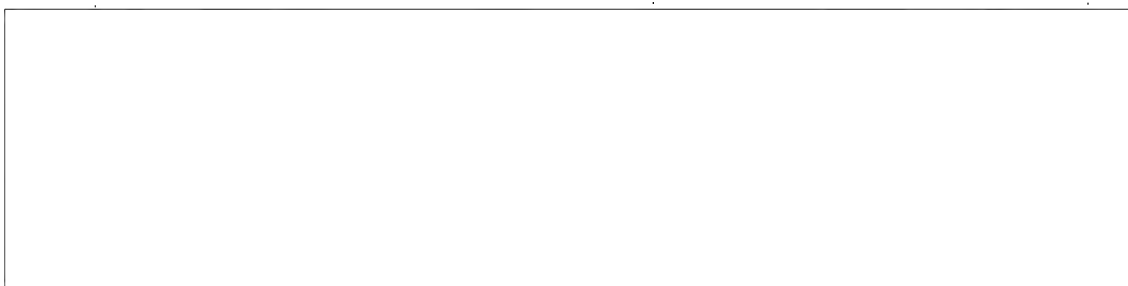
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- B. India-Nepal The two countries are quietly burying the hatchet in consideration of the common threat from Communist China. The Nepalese exile organization in India has suspended operations after two years of frontier harassments.
- C. Yugoslavia Tito is planning a Latin American tour later this year, probably in the summer. Mexico, Brazil, and Bolivia will probably be included, but Cuba is not now on his list. Yugoslav officials have lately also broached frequently the matter of a US invitation to Tito, or, barring that, a visit to Belgrade by a high-ranking US official.
- D. Brazil-USSR Conclusion of a Brazilian-Soviet trade agreement for 1963 has been announced in Brazilia. It calls for an increase of more than 100 million dollars in trade between the two countries.
- E. Indonesia-US The Indonesian Government has notified our Embassy in Djakarta that Sukarno has decided to adopt the economic stabilization plan recommended by the International Monetary Fund. A five-man technical team is being sent to Washington within days to work out an agreement with the IMF and the US Government.



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